GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4295
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2001
ANNAPURNA SCHEME
GAJENDRA SINGH RAJUKHEDI;KUMUDINI PATNAIK;RAMANAND SINGH;SURESH PASI

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for implementation of Annapurna Scheme so far, State-wise;

(b) whether requests have been received from the State Governments to enhance the funds as well as foodgrains under the scheme;

(c) whether the State Governments have also requested the Centre to meet the transport charges for lifting and distribution of foodgrains;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government to both the issues;

(e) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has proposed some amendments for proper implementation of the scheme; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL)

(a) A Statement is given at Annexure-I.

(b) States of Orissa, Bihar, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh have requested increase in number of target beneficiaries or funds. Their requests have been/are considered within the parameters of the Scheme and availability of the budget allocations.

(c)&(d) The Central Government provides for transportation cost @ Rs.50/- per quintal. The State Food & Civil Supplies Departments are to release the transportation charges as is permitted to the RPDS, to the Collectors/CEO Zilla Panchayats and the District Collectors/CEO are to tie up the logistics of distribution of foodgrains to the beneficiaries, in consultation with the Department of Food & Civil Supplies, at the district level.

(e) & (f) Madhya Pradesh Governmenthas suggested that Annapurna Scheme might be extended to all old age pensioners to make identification of beneficiaries in the State possible. Currently only destitutes aged 65 and above,not receiving pension under the National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS), are eligible for foodgrains under Annapurna Scheme. The Scheme is under review.

ANNEXURE-I

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Statement with reference to Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 4295 due for reply on 18-12-2001

(In Rs.)

Sl. No	States/UTs	Allocation 2000-01	Allocation 2001-02
1	Andhra Pradesh #	62442611	97959173
2	Bihar	111620187	116765445
3	Chhatisgarh		22351239
4	Goa	602987	630782
5	Gujarat+	29693739	0
6	Haryana+	11563943	0
7	Himachal Pradesh	5105286	5340620
8	J & K	6847248	7162880
9	Jharkhand	36808311	38505032

10	Karnataka+	45585786	0
11	Kerala #	30135930	31525080
12	Madhya Pradesh+	80264215	0
13	Maharashtra	89751204	93888387
14	Orissa #	43415034	45416299
15	Punjab+	8348014	0
16	Rajasthan	31824292	66557126
17	Tamilnadu	57658917	60316770
18	Uttar Pradesh $	168193059	221240063
19	Uttaranchal		8902873
20	West Bengal	64104174	67059128
21	A&N Islands	375192	392487
22	Chandigarh	294793	308382
23	D&N Haveli	254594	266330
24	Daman & Diu	53599	56069
25	NCT Delhi	5386680	5634985
26	Lakshadweep	40199	42052
27	Pondicherry	1058576	1107372
	Sub-Total	891428571	891428573
	North Eastern States		
28	Arunachal Pradesh	3989659	3989659
29	Assam	57763322	57763322
30	Manipur	7198732	7198732
31	Meghalaya	7762489	7762489
32	Mizoram	2168293	2168293
33	Nagaland #	5637561	5637561
34	Sikkim #	2081561	2081560
35	Tripura	12446001	12446001
	Sub-Total	99047619	99047617
	Total	990476190	990476190

+ Not implementing the scheme.
$ Opening Balance as on 1.4.2001 of Uttaranchal is also included.